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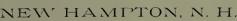
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NEW HAMPTON, N. H.



CHARTER.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE;

In the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-seven.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE

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SOCIAL*FRATERNITY.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court eonvened; That Amos Webster, Cyrus T. Tueker, S. Gano Abbott, together with all the existing members of said society, and all who may hereafter become members of said society, shall be, and they hereby are, created and made a Corporation, by the name of The Social Fraternity, with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities incident to a corporation of a similar nature. Provided that the By-Laws, ordinances and regulations of

said society shall not be repugnant to the laws of this State, or to the laws of the New Hampton Academical and Theological Institution.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted: That said Corporation is made capable in law to have, hold and enjoy all the books, furniture and property belonging to said society at the time of the passage of this Aet, and also all such books, furniture, apparatus, money and other property, as shall hereafter be given or bequeathed to them, or purchased for the purpose of said society, and is also made capable in law to purchase, receive and hold for themselves and their successors, books, apparatus and other property to the amount of five thousand dollars, provided, also, that no taxes are ever to be assessed and collected except for the purpose of increasing the library and defraying the ordinary expenses of the society.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted; That the first meeting of said Corporation shall be held without further notice, at their usual place of meeting, on the third Friday of July next, at six o'elock p.m.; that at that and all subsequent meetings, held pursuant to such regulations as the Corporation may establish, a majority of the members who may be present

may choose all such officers as they may think necessary, and make, ordain and establish all such by-laws and regulations as may be necessary for the well-ordering of the affairs of said Corporation, and may do all other business of said Corporation, provided always that no vote or by-law or regulation diverting or defeating any of the original purposes of said society, or disposing of the books or property, or converting the same to any other than the original purpose for which they were bestowed and eollected, shall be valid without the express approbation, in person or by proxy, of a majority of existing members of said society at the time of passing the said vote.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted; That the said society shall be forever located at New Hampton Academical and Theological Institution, and the books and apparatus belonging to the same be forever devoted more especially to the use of the resident members of said society, unless said society shall be dissolved, in which case a meeting of all the members shall be called by giving notice of the object and purpose of said meeting in two or more public papers published in Concord, in this State, and in one or more newspapers published

in Boston, such publications to be continued three weeks, the last publication thereof to be at least fifteen days before the meeting, and such disposition of the books, furniture, apparatus and other property may be made as by vote of two-thirds of the members present at such meeting may decide.

SEC. 5. The Legislature may alter, amend or repeal this Aet whenever, in their opinion, the public good requires.

Moses Norris, Jr., Speaker of the House of Representatives. HARRY HIBBARD.

President of the Senate.

Approved July 3, 1847;

JARED W. WILLIAMS, GOVERNOR.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Secretary of State's Office.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the original now in this office.

Given under my hand and the seal of the State, this 6th day of July, A.D. 1847.

THOMAS P. TREADWELL,
Secretary of State.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

·NAME.

This Society shall be called the Social Fraternity.

ARTICLE II.

The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three Directors, the Chairman of whom shall be the Vice President. They shall hold their offices during one-half of the academic term for which they are elected, except the Treasurer, who shall hold his office during the term.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS' DUTIES.

SEC. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society; shall call all special meetings; shall approve all bills to be paid by the Society; shall provide each person admitted during his term of office with a certificate of

membership, and shall appoint five Librarians, a Soliciting Committee consisting of three, and all other committees not previously provided for.

- SEC. 2. The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of that officer, and shall act as Chairman of the Board of Directors.
- SEC. 3. The Secretary shall keep an accurate journal of all the proceedings of the Society and at the opening of each regular private meeting shall read the same for the preceding week, unless the Society shall otherwise direct. He shall also keep a correct list of all the active members, and shall discharge such other duties as commonly devolve upon a Secretary.
- SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moncys belonging to the Society; shall pay all claims against the same, after approval by the President; shall keep an account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall report the state of the treasury at least one week previous to the expiration of his term of office.
- Sec. 5. The Board of Directors shall assign the literary exercises of the Society; shall choose the editors and a janitor, and shall be a

standing committee to transact all other business not otherwise provided for.

ARTICLE IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The officers of this Society shall be chosen by ballot during the third and eighth weeks of each term. Should a vacancy occur in any office the Society shall fill the same at the next regular meeting.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP.

- SEC. 1. Any member of the New Hampton Institution may become an active member of this Society, being elected by a two-thirds vote, and having signed the Constitution and By-Laws.
- SEC. 2. A person once elected an active member of this Society shall be regarded as such while a member of the Institution, unless dismissed or expelled by a vote of the Society; but no person, not a member of the school, shall be an active member of the Society except by special vote.

ARTICLE VI.

SOLICITING COMMITTEE, LIBRARIANS AND JANITOR

SEC. 1. The Soliciting Committee shall extend a card of invitation, in behalf of the

Society, to such persons as they may think proper to become members of the Society.

- SEC. 2. The First Librarian shall keep a record of all books loaned from the library, and shall strictly enforce the By-Laws relating to the library. The second Librarian shall keep a record of all books returned to the library, and shall copy his own record and that of the first Librarian in a book provided for that purpose. The assistant Librarians shall take from the shelves all books to be loaned from the library and properly replace the same when returned.
- SEC. 3. The Janitor shall have the Society room properly heated and lighted for each meeting of the Society, and shall also act as Janitor of the library.

ARTICLE VII.

PUBLIC MEETING.

- Sec. 1. The Society shall hold a public meeting during the spring term of each school year.
- SEC. 2. This meeting shall be under the management of a Committee of Arrangements and a Committee of Assignments, each consisting of three, who shall be appointed during the fifth week of the winter term.

- SEC. 3. The Committee of Arrangements shall have the general management of the meeting.
- SEC. 4. The Committee of Assignments shall select the play and assign the literary and dramatic parts of the programme.

ARTICLE VIII.

HAMPTONIA.

- SEC. 1. This Society, in connection with the Literary Adelphi and the Germanæ, shall publish a quarterly magazine entitled the Hamptonia.
- SEC. 2. This publication shall be under the management of a Board of Editors, consisting of five, and a Business Manager, who shall be chosen by ballot during the summer term, for the ensuing school year.
- SEC. 3. If a vacancy shall occur at any time it shall be filled by the then existing Board of Editors, unless the Society shall otherwise direct.

ARTICLE IX.

ADDRESSMAN AND PRIZE SPEAKERS.

The Addressman and Prize Speakers shall be chosen by ballot during the last half of the spring term.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS.

Every proposed alteration, amendment or addition to this Constitution or to the By-Laws, after being approved by the Principal must be handed to the President, who shall publish the same to the Society, and at the next regular meeting it may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

AMENDMENT.

The Treasurer, each term, shall set aside 10 % of all receipts of the Society, above running expences,* to be used in purchasing books for the Library. A Committee of five, for that purpose, shall be chosen by the Board of Directors the eighth week of the spring term.

The fund may be increased by special appropriation by the Society.

The Committee shall purchase the books before the fifth week of the summer term.

This act shall take effect, as a part of the By-Laws of the Society, the eighth week of the spring term of 1890.

* Running expenses do not include *appropriations or expense of Public Meeting.

By-Laws.

ARTICLE I.

SEC. 1. The meetings of this Society shall be holden on Friday of each week during the academic term, and, unless otherwise directed by the Society, they shall be called to order in No. 1, at the evening ringing of the study hour bell. Each regular meeting shall be opened by prayer.

Sec. 2. The assignment of exercises for each meeting shall be read before the Society

at least two weeks in advance.

SEC. 3. A critic shall be appointed by the Board of Directors for each meeting, who shall criticise the exercises of the meeting and make such suggestions as he may think of advantage to the Society.

SEC. 4. Any member failing to perform the duty assigned him in the regular exercises of the Society, and failing also to provide a substitute, shall pay a fine of ten cents.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP AND DISCIPLINE.

- SEC. 1. Any member in good standing may receive an honorable dismission from the Society by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, provided, however, his bills due to the Society are all paid and he makes known his request and states his reasons in writing one week previous.
- SEC. 2. Any member of known immoral conduct, or one who shall become regardless of the best interests of the Society, may be expelled at any regular meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, notice being given at the preceding regular meeting.
- SEC. 3. Any member who shall be put on probation, suspended or expelled by the Faculty shall be considered in the same condition in the Society.

ARTICLE III.

REELECTION.

No member shall be chosen more than twice successively to fill the same office.

ARTICLE IV.

AUTHORITY.

Cushing's Manual shall be authority for anything not contained in the Constitution or By-Laws.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1. When the meeting is called to order each member shall take a seat, which he shall be required to occupy during the evening; and he shall not interrupt the proceedings by reading or conversation without permission of the President.
- 2. A member desiring to speak on any question shall rise and respectfully address the chair, and shall confine himself to the question at issue.
- 3. When a member is called to order he shall at once take his seat, and every question of order shall be decided by the President without debate.
- 4. An appeal in all cases may be made from the decision of the President. A two-thirds vote of the members present shall be necessary to sustain an appeal.
- 5. Before taking a vote on any question the President shall ask, "Are you ready for the

question?" Should no one offer to speak the President shall then put the question.

6. When a motion to adjourn is carried no member shall leave his seat until the President has left his chair.



REGULATIONS

OF THE LIBRARY.

TIME AND PLACE.

- SEC. 1. Books shall be taken from and returned to the library only on such days as shall be designated by the Society, of which days the first Librarian shall give notice at the commencement of each term.
- SEC. 2. The Librarians shall examine all books taken from and returned to the library.
- SEC. 3. No person shall be entitled to the privileges of the library without strictly complying with the following rules.

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No person shall take more than five hundred pages from the library at one time, unless contained in one volume.

2.

Books shall not be kept from the library more than two weeks unless recharged, and never more than four weeks.

3.

Books that are retained more than two weeks without being recharged, or more than four weeks, will be charged to those taking them out, together with a fine of one cent per day for all subsequent time until settlement is made.

4.

No person shall lend a book belonging to the library.

5.

Any person losing a book from a set shall replace the same or pay the value of the set.

6.

All books must be returned to the library at least one week previous to the close of each term.

7.

Any person injuring the library shall pay such sum as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

8.

Smoking, scuffling or boisterous conduct of any kind shall be strictly prohibited in the room. Any person violating this rule shall be reported to the Society by the Librarians and suffer such penalty as the Society may impose.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

OPEN MEETING.

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Prayer.
- 3. Programme.
- 4. Adjournment.

PRIVATE MEETING.

- 1. Reading and accepting records.
- 2. Directors' report.
- 3. Unfinished business.
- 4. New business.
- 5. Adjournment.





